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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

The Examiner is requested to enter the following amendments prior to examination on the merits. This preliminary amendment is filed concurrent with a request for a continuation application under 37 C.F.R. 1.53(b) from pending U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 08/943,936.

It is believed that no fee is due. However, should any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 to 1.21 be required for any reason, the Assistant Commissioner is authorized to deduct said fees from Fulbright & Jaworski L.L.P. Deposit Account No. 50-1212/10020402/RAN.